GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:155
ANSWERED ON:26.11.2007
NABARD ASSISTANCE FOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether some State Governments have sought assistance from National Bank for Agricultural and Rural Development (NABARD) for the proposed irrigation schemes in the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the time by which the same is likely to be released?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 155 TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.11.2007 REGARDING NABARD ASSISTANCE FOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS

Several State Governments have sought assistance from National Bank for Agricultural and Rural Development (NABARD) for irrigation schemes. NABARD has sanctioned loan of Rs. 20,379.61 crore in respect of 1,18,908 irrigation schemes of various States under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) upto March 31, 2007. The State-wise details are annexed.

Loans to State Governments under RIDF are released after satisfactory completion of prescribed formalities and progress in implementation of the individual projects on a reimbursement basis. As per the approved phasing at the time of sanction of RIDF loan for the irrigation sector, all the sanctioned projects are expected to be completed in a period of 3 years.